



PATENT APPLICATION

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In re the Application of

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For: APPARATUS AND METHOD TO PHOTOISOMERIZE A RECORDING LAYER
WITH A POLARIZING ROTARY DEVICE (AS AMENDED)

SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Further to a July 20, 2001 personal interview with Examiner Chu, please amend the
above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace claims 1, 21, 35, 37, 39 and 55 as follows:

1. (Thrice-Amended) An optical recording medium, comprising at least one optical recording layer, the optical recording layer including an optical recording material having at least one of a polymer or a liquid crystal polymer that changes a state of photo-induced birefringence in response to a recording light that is externally controlled from the optical recording medium to rotate a polarization angle of the recording light, a portion of the recording layer that changes a state of photo-induced birefringence substantially acting optically as a half-wave plate; and

a substrate which sustains the optical recording layer.